

Sweet Accuses Dr. Copeland in Milk Bill Fight

Speaker Says Health Commissioner Is Trying to Shift the Burden of Blame to Some One Else

Insincerity Is Charged

City Official Asserts Legislator Can Clear His "Bad Record" by Action

Thaddeus C. Sweet, Speaker of the Assembly in Albany, telegraphed last night, in reply to the many inquiries from Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner, concerning the fate of the milk bill pending before the Assembly. "You state," says Mr. Sweet, "that so invitation has come from the committee of the Assembly to lay before the arguments of the interested parties in milk legislation. I am surprised at this, as upon investigation I find that the hearing to which you refer, held in the Senate Chamber, was before a joint committee of the Senate and the Assembly, with no less than nine members of the Assembly committee present."

"It does not follow necessarily that when a hearing is held in one House or the other it is a hearing held exclusively by that House. Therefore, your charge that it is neglect on the part of your committee that no opportunity has been afforded the citizens of New York City to present their difficulties to the Assembly is simply from a mind that does not seem to act clearly."

Dr. Copeland Called Insincere

"In fact, your whole letter reads, and I regret to have to tell you, as though you were trying to build a case for the newspapers, as the people who have been really interested in milk legislation have been in conference with me and with others time and time again during this session. I have had no less than two bills drawn up which, when analyzed, did not seem to meet the situation."

"From your communication I cannot help but believe that you have been in Albany several times during the winter session, and not once have you attempted to secure even a conversation, to say nothing of a conference, with me on this subject."

"My interest is real, and not camouflage. I am convinced in my own mind of your insincerity when you try to shift the burden of blame to some one else."

Mr. Sweet closes by hoping that in the future Dr. Copeland will at least be familiar with facts before trying to "shift the blame of responsibility to some one else."

Has Not Seen "Speaker's Milk Pan"

Dr. Copeland made immediate reply yesterday. He said:

"You say your interest is real and not camouflage. I have been scanning the legislative sea all through the winter, and I confess I have not seen anything about that looked like the Speaker's milk pan, either camouflaged or glittering in its undisguised tin."

"If you have indicated to any one any desire on your part to give relief to the undernourished children of New York City, I must state most bluntly that I have failed to come in contact with him."

Dr. Copeland goes on to say that he has been in Albany only once since the introduction of the milk bills and asks:

"Did not Governor Smith on that occasion invite you to his office to meet Miss Leeb and me for a milk conference, and did you not plead a headache or make some other excuse to avoid the meeting?"

Charges Evasion of Duty

"I have been intimately in touch with every movement in the interest of the consumer, and I can say positively that you have given their representatives none of your time or attention."

"I must assume, therefore, that those to whom you granted your audience were the milk distributors or possibly the officers of the Dairywomen's League. My complaint is that you evidently have forgotten that the consumer is also interested."

"No, my dear Mr. Speaker, you have evaded your clear duty to the citizens of this city and no amount of camouflage now—to use your own word—will deceive anybody. The only way you have to clear your bad record on bad legislation is to unthrottle the Assembly and permit it to act."

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FIFTH AVENUE

Rope Fire Escape Bill Is Passed by Senate Preliminary Vehicular Tunnel Legislation Also Is Put Through

ALBANY, April 22.—The bill of Senator Daniel Carroll, Democrat, of Brooklyn, nullifying the fire escape law, was passed by the Senate to-day. It permits a rope to be used instead of a fire escape on tenement houses and hotels.

The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 42 to 12. It was introduced by the construction of the New York side of the proposed New York-New Jersey vehicular tunnel was passed by the Senate.

There still remains another bill appropriating money for the carrying out of this work. An appropriation of \$2,000,000 is sought, but it is understood Senator Henry M. Sage, who is willing to grant only \$1,000,000 for the work this year, will win his point.

Lusk Bills Assailed By Noted Educators In Mass Meeting

Editors and Churchmen Also Join in Denouncing Measures in Legislature as Vicious, Un-American

Prominent editors, churchmen, college professors, social workers and citizens united last night at the Broadway Tabernacle, Fifty-sixth Street and Broadway, in a protest against the Lusk bills for the licensing of schools and teachers and the creation of a special espionage division in the Attorney General's office. The bills were denounced as subversive of the fundamental principles of America and as signifying a return to the times of Charles II, when no one was permitted to engage in any printing of any kind without a license.

Among the speakers who denounced the bills and called upon Governor Smith to veto them were Professor Franklin H. Giddings, Professor Paul Monroe and Professor Joseph C. Chamberlain, of Columbia; Miss Ruth Morgan, Miss Mary K. Simkhovitch, the Rev. William Austin Smith, editor of "The Churchman," and Mrs. William Aldrich, Edward T. Devine, associate editor of "The Survey," presided.

An advance copy of an editorial to appear in "The Outlook," sent by Dr. Lyman Abbott, editor of the magazine, was read by Dr. Devine. It denounces the measures as thoroughly un-American and vicious.

Professor Giddings assailed the bills as "vicious and preposterous." He declared if these bills are permitted to become law in the event of the Governor's failure to veto them it will become the duty of every self-respecting American citizen "to put an end to the political career of every rascal responsible for them."

Among those who backed last night's protest and united in the demand that the Governor veto the bills were, in addition to those mentioned above:

J. H. Budish, the Rev. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, Professor George A. Coe, the Rev. Henry Sloan Coffin, former United States Attorney Harold A. Constant, Herbert Croly, William F. Hiss, the Rev. P. Ernest Johnson, Arthur E. McGiffert, the Rev. Charles S. McFarland, the Rev. John Howard Melish, the Rev. William Pierson Morrill, John Bascom Moore, Ambassador Henry Morgenthau, Dean Edward C. Robbins, of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine; Professor James Harvey Robinson, Mrs. Willard D. Straight, Paul M. Warburg and others.

Many of those present agreed to go to Albany to protest personally at the hearing to be held by the Governor on the measures.

Two Stabbed in Battle Of Union Milk Drivers

Luke Harris, a union organizer, was stabbed in the head and Benjamin Martsky in the shoulder last night at the regular monthly meeting of Milk Drivers Local 584, at the Brooklyn Labor Lyceum, Willoughby and Myrtle avenues.

They were taken to Wyckoff Heights Hospital, after the rescuers from the Vernon Avenue and Wilson Avenue police stations had adjourned the meeting with their nightsticks. Harris lives at 16 West 116th Street, Manhattan, and Martsky at 128 Vernon Place, Yonkers.

They were wounded in a battle royal which started shortly after Michael Cassell, chairman of the meeting, attempted to explain away charges made by a faction in the union that there were irregularities in the handling of the funds. He was hissed from the platform. The speaker who succeeded him and attempted to pick up the thread of his argument became the target for chairs, spittoons and other handy missiles.

Hotels Housing Families Face Gouge Inquiry

Mayor's Committee to Seek Prosecution of Owners Who Have Been Guilty of Profiteering in Rents

Rail Strike Hits Builders

Many Operations Stopped by Shortage of Materials; Tenants Win More Cases

An effort to bring under court control the apartment hotels, which have so far escaped the effect of the anti-hog laws, and stop the heavy profiteering in some of them will be made by the Mayor's committee, Chairman A. J. J. Kelly, announced yesterday. The matter has already been taken up with the members of the Joint Legislative Committee at Albany and will be brought to the attention of the Mayor's Committee on Housing Legislation.

A further dimming of the hope for relief in the housing situation through building came yesterday when it was learned that owing to the railroad tie-up there is a shortage of building materials amounting to nearly 90 per cent. Many builders are abandoning plans for construction.

Tenants Win More Cases

More decisions in favor of tenants, including one in which the court refused increases because profits were already sufficient, and another where an excessive rental was ordered refunded, marked the day in court.

The most remarkable case was one in which several small insects which infest filthy houses were produced to show that the landlord was not taking good care of his place. This was the case of Mrs. Rebecca Peltz, who had refused to pay her landlord, Feigenbaum, the rent for her flat at 639 East 138th Street. She brought in a sheet of plaster which she said had fallen from the ceiling to show neglect of the premises and the other inhabitants came with it. The justice ordered her to pay the rent, nevertheless.

There were several cases in which Justice Shiel, in the Second District Court, the Bronx, who passed judgment in the bug case found that landlords were entitled to more than 20 per cent, and made orders accordingly. In others the price was cut to this figure.

Justice John Davies, in general, held to the 25 per cent basis in his cases in the Seventh District Court, Manhattan. The case of the 150th Street Corporation was the first yet brought up in which a landlord had refused to carry out court orders. The case had previously been before Justice Davies in an attempt to get \$48 a month from a tenant named Manley, and the landlord had been ordered to accept \$32.

In spite of this he collected \$40 and gave an unsigned receipt. The justice made him refund \$8 and added a sharp warning.

Samuel Rosenstein was in court trying to evict forty tenants for refusal to pay increases from \$10 a month up. It was shown that under the old scale his property was paying \$1,082 a year and the new one would produce \$6,240. The justice held this increase in profits was excessive and fixed rentals on the 25 per cent increase basis.

A landlord named Zoretzky, of 138th Street and Lenox Avenue, was shown to have cleared white tenants out of the house and filled it with negroes. In the case of one man, Sears, who was in court, he had raised the rent from \$58, which a white preacher paid, to \$80 for the negro. When asked to explain this 108 per cent jump he said he was trying to provide homes for the colored people, of whom there were many without decent shelter. The justice intimated this was rather a high jump for benevolence, but reserved decision.

Chairman Hilly of the Mayor's committee, announcing he had just learned of the profiteering in the apartment hotels and that he would start action at once.

City Doubles Tax Valuation Of Detroit Rent Profiteer

DETROIT, April 22.—A 100 per cent increase in the assessed valuation of his property was the penalty imposed by the City Council to-day on Jacob Shevitz, owner of a nine-family apartment house, who was accused by his tenants of increasing their rents from \$42.50 to \$90 a month.

Man's Love Dead, Wife Kills Him

'I'm Not Sorry,' She Says, 'I Can Sleep at Night; I Know Where He Is'

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

ST. LOUIS, April 22.—Walter C. Kelly, twenty-seven, assistant passenger agent in St. Louis for the Chicago & Alton Railroad, was shot and killed almost instantly by his wife, Mrs. Caroline Kelly, this afternoon in the corridor outside his office in the Boatman's Bank Building.

Kelly had been separated from his wife for the last two weeks as a result of his alleged refusal to give up his attentions to another woman employed by the Chicago & Alton.

Mrs. Kelly, who also is twenty-seven, calmly told the police the details of the shooting in the matron's room at headquarters. "For fifteen months," she said, "my husband has been infatuated with this woman. Yesterday I went to his office and pleaded with him to give her up. He refused, and I came away. On the way back to the office I purchased a .32-caliber pistol."

"To-day I went again to my husband's office and called him into the corridor. I pleaded with him to return home. He refused and said it was no use talking about the matter, as he had ceased to care for me. I had the pistol in my muff, and as he turned away from me to go back into his office I pulled it out and fired at him. I didn't know I had killed him until some one told me he was dead."

"I am not sorry I shot him. I would do it again if necessary. I can sleep at night now because I know where he is."

"I went to the woman," she said, "and asked her to send my husband back to me. She suggested that we arrange a meeting and Walter choose between us. I could not agree to that."

U. S. Invited to Congress

On Finances at Brussels

WASHINGTON, April 22.—An invitation to send three representatives to the financial congress at Brussels in May was received to-day by the State Department from the secretariat of the league of nations through the American Embassy at London.

Each country invited has been asked to submit written statements showing the situation as regards its public debt, its external debt, its foreign trade, credit and general economic and financial conditions.

Physicians Boycott Strikers

QUIMPER, Finistere, France, April 22.—The physicians of Finistere will refuse to attend the families of men who are on strike. The members of the Medical Society of Finistere, in a congress just held here, have adopted a resolution to that effect.

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(Continued from page one)

Rowe, Seelbach, Simpson, Slacer, Miss M. L. Smith, Steinberg, Stitt, Ullman, Wallace, Wells, Whitcomb, Wiswall and Zimmerman—43.

Democrats: Barra, Beasley, Bloch, Burchill, W. G. Carroll, Cosgrove, Cross, Cuvillier, Dickstein, Donohue, Easton, Evans, Flynn, Miss E. V. Gillette, Griffith, Hammill, Healy, Henderson, Kelly, Kirnan, Leininger, Lentol, Lindsay, McArdle, McCue, McDonold, McKee, J. F. McLaughlin, J. V. McLoughlin, Patrzykowski, Reilly, Reynolds, Schwab and Taylor—34. Total, 77.

For—Republican: D. H. Ames, H. L. Ames, Betts, Blakeley, Bloomfield, Booth, Brundage, Campbell, Chamber-

lin, Cole, Cowee, Davies, G. A. Dobson, Donohue, Downs, Duke, Everett, Pearson, Fenner, Forbell, Gage, Gardner, Hager, Harrington, Harris, Hausener, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jacobs, Jenks, Kenyon, Lattin, Long, Lord, Low, MacFarland, Machold, Martin, McGinnis, McWhinney, Mead, Miller, Moore, Morrissey, Moss, Norton, Peck, Rice, Roosevelt, Seaker, C. C. Smith, O. J. Smith, Houle, Tallett, Thayer, Trahan, Tyler, S. B. Van Wagenen, Walrath, Webb, Westall, Wheelock, Williams, Wilson and Witter—65.

Democrat: J. Van Wagenen—1. Total, 66.

The vote on the second bill was the same, with the exception of Forbell, who voted no.

Assemblyman Jenks, in advocating the bills, said that he did it in opposition to the wishes of his own constituents.

"But you can never get an increase of fare if you leave it to the people," said Jenks. "These bills are necessary to prevent more roads from going into bankruptcy."

He said that distrust of the public service commissions, especially in New

York City, was responsible for most of the opposition to the bills. He said this distrust was not warranted.

"We must proceed on the assumption that the law will be enforced and that the properly constituted authorities will act in good faith," said Jenks. "If the traction companies are making as much money as the critics of these bills

assert, there is no need to fear that the public service commissions will grant increases. Company after company has been going into the hands of receivers in every section of the state and there is urgent need of the state-wide relief which my bills would afford. If we want to keep the wheels of the traction companies moving."

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